

PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)
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Washington State Potato Commission Subject of possible rule making: The purpose of this rule making is to amend and repeal sections within the Rules of the Washington State Potato Commission. Proposed amendments will update "hosting" language and will remove language referring to prepayment of assessments through the purchase of stamps. Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: Chapter 15.66 RCW, specifically 15.66.140(2), and chapter 34.05 RCW. Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: The Washington State Potato Commission is proposing to discontinue activities relating to advertising and promotion. All references to "promotional" hosting are being removed. The proposal also removes outdated language related to the collection of assessments. Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies: NA Process for developing new rule (check all that apply): Negotiated rule making Pilot rule making Agency study Other (describe) The proposal has been developed as a result of a collaborative effort between the Washington State Potato Commission and the Washington State Department of Agriculture. Once the draft amendments are finalized, notices will be published and mailed to all producers and handlers within the affected area who may be directly affected by these rule changes. Interested parties can submit comments during the public comment period and can also participate during the public hearing process. How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication: (List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.) See above for participation opportunities or contact: Pat Boss, Executive Director Phone: (509) 765-8845 Washington State Potato Commission Fax: (509) 765-4853 108 Interlake Road Email: pboss@potatoes.com Moses Lake, WA 98837 DATE **CODE REVISER USE ONLY** 5-17-05 CODE REVISER'S OFFICE STATE OF WASHINGTON NAME (TYPE OR PRINT) Allen Floyd MAY 18 2005 SIGNATURE AM TIME TITLE WSR_ Chairman, WA State Potato Commission